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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )

Gary K. Michelson, M.D. )

Serial No.: 09/768,991 )

Filed: January 23, 2001 )

For: Interbody Spinal Implant with )  
Trailing End Adapted to Receive Bone )  
Screws (as amended) )

Group Art Unit: 3732

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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated March 26, 2003, the period for reply having been extended for two months by a request for extension and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 30 of this paper.

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